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Responses to the E-Questions for Refuse Route Permit 97-YBI

The Department of Public Health (“Department”) published a Notice of Refuse Collection Route Permit Application Package Opportunity for the Yerba Buena Island on September 12, 2022. The E-Question session began on September 12, 2022, through September 22, 2022. The Department received 17 questions related to the 97-YBI permit and the permit application process. Below are the responses to the questions:

	QUESTIONS	RESPONSES
1	Could the City please clarify the specific forms that should be filled out and to whom they should be sent in order to submit a CEQA project application to the Planning Department, as required by Item 4 of the application? The forms on the Planning Department’s website appear to be for building permits only? Also, are applicants required to pay any fees in connection with the CEQA review process?	The SF Planning department will need a project application and it should be submitted directly to cpc.epintake@sfgov.org . After receipt and review of the project application, the SF Planning department anticipates collecting the Categorical Exemption Checklist fee which is \$399. The project application can be located here: https://sfplanning.org/sites/default/files/forms/PRJ_Application.pdf
2	Item 10H of the application asks for a description of major vehicle accidents in the past five years, amounting to \$1,000 or more in property damage. Would the DPH accept a listing of any major accidents resulting in \$250,000 or more in damages in the last five years? With an operation of our size, virtually every auto property damage would amount to a claim of \$1,000 or more.	No. The Applicant must provide a description of major vehicle accidents, causing any injury or death to a person or damage to vehicles(s) or property(ies) over \$1,000, in the past five (5) years, pursuant to Chapter 7, Section 3(f)(7) of the 2022 Refuse Collection Regulation .
3	What is the anticipated start date for the collection services?	The refuse collection services may start upon obtaining the 97-YBI permit and meeting all requirements and conditions outlined in the 97-YBI permit (i.e., obtaining approvals for refuse collection truck permits and meeting the landfill disposal agreement). DPH anticipates the issuance of the 97-YBI permit to occur in Q1 2023, pending DPH's process.
4	Would the Department consider extending the deadline for applying beyond October 12, 2022 as there are significant requirements and analysis that the application requires?	Yes. DPH extended the deadline. The website has been updated to reflect this information.
5	The scope of work specifies there are currently 124 residential units. Are these single-family, multi-family?	These are multi-family units within the condominium complex. Please note that this complex is amongst the first developments on the Yerba Buena Island, additional housing units and commercial operations will become available. For more information regarding the Yerba Buena development, please refer to the City's webpage regarding Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island Development Project approved plans and documents: https://sf.gov/information/treasure-island-and-yerba-buena-island-development-project-approved-plans-and-documents
6	Are the residential units currently receiving service? If so, can a list of the accounts be provided that includes the container size for trash, recycle and organics? If they are currently receiving service, what are the current tonnages?	DPH does not have the data or information relevant to accounts, container sizes, or tonnages to provide.



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7	Can a map of the service area be provided to assist in determining scheduling, access, routing, etc.?	<p>As this is a newly developed and evolving route, DPH does not have data or information relevant to scheduling, access, and routing.</p> <p>For more information regarding the Yerba Buena development, please refer to the City's webpage regarding Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island Development Project approved plans and documents: https://sf.gov/information/treasure-island-and-yerba-buena-island-development-project-approved-plans-and-documents</p>
8	What is the anticipated number of additional residential units that will be built out? What is the timeline for the additional residential units? What is the anticipated additional commercial customers that will be added and their respective timeline?	<p>For more information regarding the Yerba Buena development, please refer to the City's webpage regarding Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island Development Project approved plans and documents: https://sf.gov/information/treasure-island-and-yerba-buena-island-development-project-approved-plans-and-documents</p>
9	Will the additional commercial operations fall under the same 97-YBI Route Permit?	<p>Yes. The Collector who is granted with the 97-YBI Permit is expected to increase the Services correspondingly to fulfill the additional needs in both residential and commercial refuse services. The 97-YBI Permit is inclusive of the current developed property as well as future developments on Yerba Buena Island, excluding federal facilities governed by the 1999 Federal Facilities Refuse Collection Permit Regulation and City facilities governed by SF Office of Contract Administrator's contract.</p> <p>For more information regarding the Yerba Buena development, please refer to the City's webpage regarding Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island Development Project approved plans and documents: https://sf.gov/information/treasure-island-and-yerba-buena-is</p>
10	Since the rates are established by the Refuse Rate Administrator, and disposal is determined by the existing Disposal Agreement, how is an applicant to submit collection costs, processing costs, etc.? How will compensation occur?	<p>DPH does not oversee the refuse rate setting and landfill disposal agreement processes. Any questions related to refuse rates and adjustments should be addressed to the San Francisco Controller's Office, who serves as the Refuse Rate Administrator.</p> <p>For more information regarding refuse rates, please refer to the Department of Public Work's website: https://sfpublicworks.org/refuserates.</p> <p>For the approved Landfill Disposal Agreement, please refer to the Department of Environment's website: https://sfenvironment.org/notice/san-francisco-department-of-environment-approves-landfill-disposal-agreement</p>
11	Will there be annual compensation adjustments for the permit holder and how will that be determined?	<p>DPH does not oversee the refuse rate setting process. Any questions related to refuse rate and adjustments should be addressed to the San Francisco Controller's Office, who serves as the Refuse Rate Administrator.</p> <p>You may refer to San Francisco Health Code Article 6, Section 290.6(b) and set forth for Procedure for Adjustment.</p>



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12	Can the Department provide a list of the facilities that are to be excluded from this permit?	DPH does not have a list of facilities that are to be excluded from the 97-YBI Permit. Excluded areas/facilities include federal facilities governed by the 1999 Federal Facilities Refuse Collection Permit Regulation and City facilities governed by SF Office of Contract Administrator's contract.
13	How will competitiveness be determined if there are no price/cost proposal forms to be submitted with the application?	Please refer to page 9 of the Notice of Refuse Collection Route Permit Application Opportunity for the Yerba Buena Island for the application evaluation process. DPH does not evaluate permit application packages based on cost proposal, DPH evaluates the Applicant's ability to provide uninterrupted and adequate refuse services.
14	What are the current service hours and days of service for the existing units? Are there any restrictions to the hours of operations/access to Yerba Buena Island?	The current development property is a condominium complex with residents living onsite as their primary or alternative residences. Services are expected to be provided to the residents at a minimum once per week. Any questions regarding to restrictions to hours of operations/access to Yerba Buena Island should be addressed with SF Planning during the Environmental Review process.
15	What are the current disposal costs and associated fees per the existing 2015 Disposal Agreement?	DPH does not oversee the disposal costs, refuse rate setting and adjustment process. For more information regarding current refuse rates, please refer to the Department of Public Work's website: https://sfpublicworks.org/refuserates
16	What is the address and location of the disposal facility that must be used under this Permit?	Pursuant to the 2015 Landfill Disposal Agreement, the disposal facility which must be used is Hayroad Landfill, located at 6426 Hay Road, Vacaville, California, in unincorporated Solano County. For the approved Landfill Disposal Agreement, please refer to the Department of Environment's website: https://sfenvironment.org/notice/san-francisco-department-of-environment-approves-landfill-disposal-agreement
17	Will a draft of the Permit be provided in advance for review to determine full scope of services, requirements and additional information?	A draft of the permit will not be provided in advance for review prior to the issuance. Please refer to the permit conditions outlined in Section 6, Chapter 7 of the 2022 Refuse Collection Regulation .